

1. We can talk about the issues, where do the candidates stand?
2. Hard to find unbiased voter guides.
3. Select topics chosen, slanted quotes.
4. Research the website for platforms, listen to speakers

1. In light of 1 Tim. 2:12 (“I do not permit a woman to assume authority over a man”), can/should a Christian vote for a female presidential candidate?

Gender is one criteria for a presidential candidate, but not the only, or even most important one. In a perfect world, a woman would not strive for the position of president. But in a fallen world, it may happen. A female candidate who supports life, freedom of speech and religion and maintains justice may be the better choice than a male candidate.

2. Can/should a Christian vote for a candidate who supports abortion?

Again, protecting innocent life, including the unborn) is an important role of the government, but it’s not the only role. The government should protect the innocent and bring justice on the guilty. Some things are more important than others however, (e.g. unborn humans vs. baby seals)

3. Can/should a Christian vote for a candidate whose personal behavior is offensive? (e.g. immoral, untruthful, demeaning) All government officials are flawed. We elect them on the basis of the laws they will create and enforce, not the personal behavior they will display.

4. Can/should a Christian vote for a candidate who promises to deport people on the basis of their nationality? (Isn’t this sinful discrimination/prejudice?) While we should not judge people on the basis of the color of their skin or nationality, there are rules in place that distinguish between those who are citizens of our nation and those who are not. It’s not wrong to enforce those laws. (As Christians, we can still show love and support to immigrants/refugees)

5. Can/should a Christian vote for a candidate who promises to raise/lower taxes for billionaires? Yes, we can. This is not a moral issue. We must be careful not to be motivated only by personal greed/selfishness.

What can a Christian citizen do?

1. Exercise your freedom to vote. A privilege and responsibility as Christians
2. Encourage others to vote. Drive them? Help them vote early. Don’t campaign to them.
3. Speak the truth in love. Show grace to all, esp. those on the other side.
4. Pray for your country and leaders. Vote and pray! For the process, harmony, guidance
5. Trust in the Lord. He’s in charge.

Psalm 146:3-5

3 Do not put your trust in princes, in human beings, who cannot save.

4 When their spirit departs, they return to the ground; on that very day their plans come to nothing.

5 Blessed are those whose help is the God of Jacob, whose hope is in the Lord their God.